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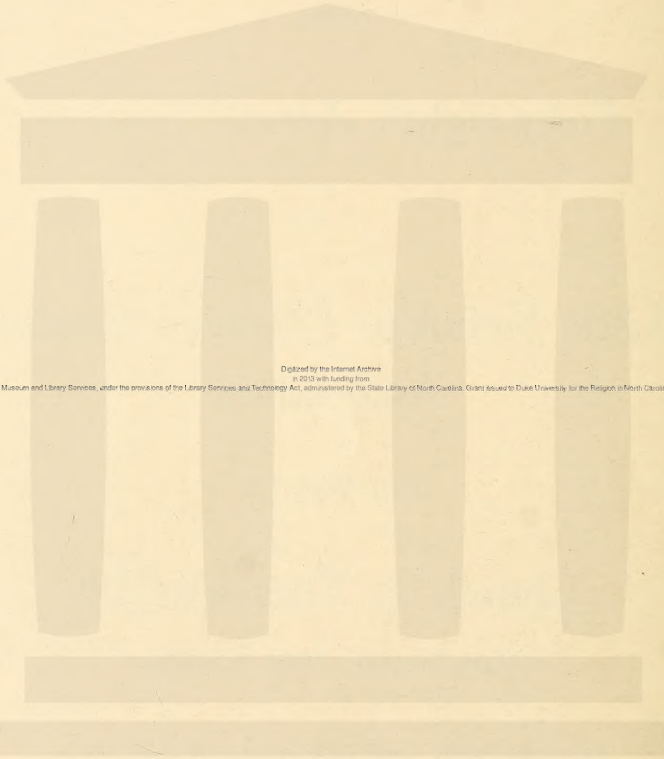

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PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 16, 1943

The Forty-Eighth Annual Session of the Little Kehukee Association convened with the Church at Thorne's Hill, Saturday before the third Sunday in October, 1943.

Elder A. Hyman arose, sang Hymn No. 305, and offered prayer. He then proceeded to preach the Introductory Sermon. His text.

Elder James Dickens followed, and sang Hymn No. 275. He preached from the text: "Who has saved us and called us."

The Moderator sang Hymn No. 88 and dismissed the congregation one hour for recess.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1943

Evening Conference

After recess, the Church reassembled in the house.

Conference was opened by Elder Thomas Bess, who sang Hymn No. 433 and offered prayer.

On motion, agreed, Elder A. Hyman continued as Moderator of this Association, and Elder K. W. Jones will remain as Clerk.

On motion, all visiting brethren were invited to seats.

On motion, a door was opened for the reception of new members.

On motion, a Finance Committee was appointed, including T. W. Haywood, Henry Harris and Telfaire Joyner.

On motion, we appointed a Committee on Preaching, as follows: Ed. R. Knight, Jno. Parker, and Bro. Columbus Cotton.

On motion, we send Elder J. A. Armstrong and Elder A. Hill to the stand to preach for the people, and Bro. Norfleet Kerney to record the preachers' texts.

On motion, we will hear reports from our Corresponding Associations.

Elder Thomas Bess of the Turners Swamp Association; also Bro. G. A. Bass of the Durham Association with a file of minutes. They were received. The Moderator and Clerk extended the right hand of fellowship.

On motion, the roll of Churches was called. All present, with their contributions, as follows:

Bryant Chapel—D. Bellamy, K. W. Jones	$12.00
Long Branch—Ed. R. Knight	10.00
Logsboro—McDickens, S. Dunn	10.00
Leggett Chapel—Austin Higgs, N. Kearney	12.00
Pleasant Grove—C. Battle, T. Joyner	12.00
Thorne's Hill—T. Joyner, Mc Council	12.00
Hill's Chapel—S. Hyman	2.25
Little Tarboro—Mary Langley, C. Cotten	9.00
Mount Ararat—H. Harris	14.00
Total	$93.25

CIRCULAR LETTER

October 13, 1943.

Dear Beloved Brethren of the Little Kehukee Association:

For as much as you have chosen me to write the Circular Letter for this session of our Association, I now make the feeble attempt to fulfill the obligation conferred upon me, trusting by the help of God these words may bring to you in some measure, joy, peace and consolation.

For thus saith the Lord, I will make a covenant of peace with my people Israel, it shall be an everlasting covenant with them, and I will place them and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them forevermore.

My tabernacle also shall be with them! Yea, I will be their God and they shall be my people.

And the heathen shall know that I the Lord do sanctify Israel when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them forevermore.

And now, Dear Children, this is our faith and hope, that this same God which do sanctify Israel, shall also save us

from the evil to come, and bring us to salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be glory and honor and power and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Most humbly submitted,

Your Brother in Christ, I trust,

A. HYMAN.

On motion, the report of the Churches was received.

On motion, a door was opened for petitionary letters. None were presented.

On motion, it was agreed that the next Association be held with the Church of Mount Ararat.

Introductory Sermon to be preached by Elder K. W. Jones with Elder Joe Louis as alternate.

The Committee on Preaching reported as follows:

Sunday A.M.—Elder William Thompson, [illegible]; Elder J. A. Armstrong, Elder J. T. Alston and Elder James Dickens —Sunday P.M., Bro. Henry Leathers, Elder Thomas Bess, Elder K. W. Jones and Elder A. Hyman.

Monday A.M.: Elder Joe Louis and Elder James Dickens.

Worship will commence at 10:30.

After receiving the above report, the Conference adjourned until Monday at 9 A.M.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

Elder William Thompson opened with Hymn No. 141 and offered prayer. His text was from Acts 9-6.

Elder J. A. Armstrong followed by singing Hymn No. 15. and preached from St. Luke 18:17.

Elder J. T. Alston preached, his text being from Luke 14:16.

Elder James Dickens preached. His text was, "I Charge Thee Before God."

The Moderator arose and after remarks, sang Hymn No. 145, and closed the morning service.

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

Brother Henry Leathers (Durham Association) opened the service with Hymn No. 364, followed by prayer. He preached from the 14th Chapter of John, 6th verse.

Elder Thomas Bess sang Hymn No. 288 and preached. His text was taken from the 40th chapter of Isaiah.

Elder K. W. Jones preached from Isaiah 55:1.

The Moderator arose and sang Hymn No. 618 and with a benediction dismissed the congregation.

OCTOBER 18, 1943

MONDAY MORNING CONFERENCE

Elder William Thompson opened the Conference with Hymn No. 3, and offered prayer. He then pronounced the house ready for the transaction of business.

On motion, the roll of churches was called. All present.

On motion, Saturday's proceedings were read and received, subject to necessary corrections.

On motion, the Circular Letter was read and ordered attached to the Minutes.

It was agreed that Elder K. W. Jones write the Circular Letter for the 1944 session of our Association.

Brother William Thompson chose Elder A. Hyman and Elder James Dickens to visit them in their next Association. The Turner Swamp Messengers chose the same Elders as last year.

Move to send Elder William Thompson to the stand to preach for the people, and Brother C. Cotton to record his text.

On motion, it was agreed that the Finance Committee make its report, which is as follows:

Taken up at the table	$93.25
At the stand	40.55
Total	$133.80

On motion, the Clerk was allowed $30.00 for printing the Minutes and $10.00 for his services.

After arranging for disbursements in paying the expenses of the Association, the Conference adjourned.

The Moderator returned thanks to Almighty God for His blessings, and to the brethren and citizens of this community for their hospitality. He then sang a hymn of praise and, with benediction, dismissed the people.

Elder A. Hyman, Moderator.
P. H. Thorpe, Clerk.
K. W. Jones, Assistant Clerk.

DISBURSEMENTS

For Printing Minutes	$30.00
Clerk's Fee	10.00
S. A. Bass	4.00
Elder A. Hyman	10.00
Elder J. Dickens	9.00
Elder K. W. Jones	6.00
Elder Joe Louis	5.00
Elder William Thompson	8.00
Elder L. Bess	6.00
Elder J. A. Armstrong	5.00
Elder A. Hill	4.00
Elder J. T. Alston	4.00
Finance Committee	9.00
Other Committees	6.00
Brother George Sumner	2.00
	118.00
Miscellaneous	10.80
Left in Treasury	5.00
Total	$133.80

ORDER OF PREACHING
SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Elder J. A. Armstrong opened by praise and prayer and preached from the 40th Chapter of Isaiah.

Elder Abram Hill followed and preached from the 14th Chapter of St. John.

With remarks and benediction, the Moderator closed the evening service.

SUNDAY MORNING

Elder William Thompson opened with Hymn No. 141, and prayer. His text was taken from Acts 9:6.

Elder J. A. Armstrong followed and preached, his text being taken from St. Luke 18:17.

Elder Jno. T. Alston preached from St. Luke 14:16.

Elder James Dickens preached, using as his text "I Charge Thee Before God, etc."

The Moderator closed on Hymn No. 145. Dismissed one hour for dinner.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Brother Henry Leathers opened with Hymn No. 364 and prayer. His text was taken from St. John 14:6.

Elder Thomas Bess preached from the 14th Chapter of Isaiah.

Elder K. W. Jones preached from Isaiah 55:1.

Remarks, dismissal hymn and benediction by Moderator.

MONDAY MORNING

Elder William Thompson opened service by praise and prayer, and preached. No text was recorded. He was followed by Elder Joe Louis, with no special text.

The Moderator sang Hymn No. 621 and with a benediction, dismissed the people.

Thus, the Association adjourned to the time and place hereinbefore designated.

ORDAINED ELDERS

Elder Annanias Hyman, RFD, Tarboro, N. C.

Elder James Dickens, RFD, Tarboro, N. C.

Elder King W. Jones, Route 2, Tarboro, N. C.

Elder Joe Louis, RFD, Whitakers, N. C.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

We, the Messengers of the several Churches composing the Little Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association, agree for the satisfaction of our brethren and friends, to publish an abstract of the principles of faith upon which we unite and will endeavor with the help of the Lord to maintain:

1. We believe in the being of God Almighty, Eternal, unchangeable, of infinite wisdom, power, justice, holiness, goodness, mercy and truth, and that this God has revealed Himself in His word under the character of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that Almighty God has made known His mind and will to the children of men in His word, which word we believe to be divine authority and contain all things necessary to be known for the salvation of men the same as comprehended or contained in the books of the Old and New Testaments.

3. We believe that God, before the foundation of the world for the purpose of His own glory, did elect a certain number of men and angels to eternal life, and that this election is particular eternal and unconditional on the creature's part.

4. We believe that when God made man He was good and upright, but by his own transgression he fell from the good and upright state and being the head and representative of the whole human race, they being His natural offspring, he involved all of them in the same ruined state with himself and they are partakers of and exposed to the miseries which sprang from his disobedience.

5. We believe that it is utterly out of the power of man as fallen creature to keep the law of God perfectly, or to truly repent of his sins, or to believe in Christ, except he be drawn in by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe that in God's own appointed time and way the elect will be called, justified, pardoned and sanctified, and that it is impossible that they utterly refuse the call, but shall be willing by divine grace to receive mercy.

7. We believe that justification in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, received and

appointed by faith.

8. We believe that God's elect will be converted and born again by the effectual working of the holy spirit.

9. We believe that those that are called by grace and born again persevere in holiness and never fall finally away.

10. We believe it is the duty incumbent on all God's people to religiously, not in the old covenant way of seeking life and the favor of the Lord by it, but only as a duty from the principle of love.

11. We believe in baptism and the Lord's Supper are gospel ordinances, both belonging to the converted as true believers.

12. We believe every church is independent in matters of discipline, and that Association councils and conferences of ministers, or churches, are not to impose on the church the keeping, holding or maintaining any principle of practice contrary to the church judgment.

13. We believe in the general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust, and the final judgment.

14. We believe the punishment of the wicked is everlasting and the joys of the righteousness eternal.

15. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances unless he is called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbyery.

16. Lastly, we believe that for the mutual comfort, union and satisfaction of the several churches of the aforesaid faith and order, we ought to meet in an Association capacity wherein each church ought to be represented by the Messengers to advise each other in conference.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Pastor	Churches	Messengers	Baptized	B. by Exp. of Grace	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship	Contribution
James Dickens	Bryant Chapel	Dan Bellamy	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	$12.00
James Dickens	Long Branch	Ed Knight, T. W. Haywood	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	10.00
James Dickens	Logsboro	McDickens	0	0	0	0	0	2	12	10.00
James Dickens	Leggett Chapel	Austin Higgs	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	12.00
A. Hyman	Pleasant Grove	G. Joyner, C. Battle	0	1	0	0	0	0	16	12.00
K. W. Jones	Thorne Hill	G. Joyner, Mc Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	12.00
A. Hyman	Hill Chapel	S. Hyman	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2.25
A. Hyman	Little Tarboro	C. Cotten, M. Langley	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9.00
A. Hyman	Mt. Ararat	Henry Harris	0	0	0	0	3	0	25	14.00